

Portal HTN

DEF	↑↑ portal venous pressure > 12 mmHg.		
AE	Pre-hepatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Umbilical: sepsis, UVC. - Portal vein: Thrombosis, agenesis, atresia, AV Fistula. - Splenic vein: Thrombosis - Trauma, sepsis, 	
	Intra-hepatic	Pre-sinusoidal (portal tract)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fibrosis (bilharziasis, congenital). - Infiltration (leuk, lymph.).
		Sinusoidal	- Cirrhosis.
		Post-sinusoidal	- Veno-occlusive diseases (VOD)
	Post-hepatic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Budd-Chairi S - IVC obstruction (thrombus/ mass). - CVS: Congestive HF, Constrictive pericarditis, pericardial effusion. 	
Pathology & effects	Congestion	Viscera drained by portal vein (SM, ulcers, malabsorption)	
	Opening	Porto-systemic collaterals (esoph. + anorectal varices, caput medosae).	
	LCF	Edema, ascites, encephalopathy.	
	Ascites	↓↓ Albumin, Na ⁺ H ₂ O retention (↑↑ aldosterone, ADH), Lymphorrhea.	
C/P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AE, HSM, Ascites, bleeding varices (haematemesis, melena). - Dilated veins + C/P of LCF. 		
Invest	Lab	LFT, CBC	
	Rad	Barium, U/S, CT, MRI, MRA, Transhepatic & spleno-portography,	
	Invasive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endoscopy, portal manometry (wedged hepatic venous pressure). - Liver biopsy. 	
TTT	Portal HTN + Active GIT bleeding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ABC. - Monitor vital signs. - IV line - Anti-shock. - Vit K, PLT, Blood. - H₂ Blockers. - NGT/ syngestaken tube + Stomach wash. - TTT of encephalopathy. - Vasopressin/ Glypressin/ Octreotide (splanchnic VC). - Endoscopic (sclerotherapy/ band ligation). - Surgical (porto-systemic shunt/ vasoligation). 	
	Prophylactic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Medical: Propranolol (1-4 mg/kg/d). - Endoscopic: sclerotherapy. - Surgical: shunt - Liver transplantation. 	

Approach to portal HTN

HX	NICU Admission (AE), Exchange transfusion, bleeding....etc.		
Exam	Splenomegaly		Most important sign of portal HTN.
	Liver	NO HM	Prehepatic AE.
		Shrunken	Cirrhosis.
		Maeked	Post-hepatic.
Ascites	Cirrhosis, LCF.		
Invest	LFT (Normal in prehepatic & presinusoidal).		

Liver Cirrhosis

Def		Chronic, diffuse, irreversible liver disease(degeneration of liver cells& irreversible loss of liver architecture)
AE	Infection	Post hepatitis.
	Drugs	INH, MTX.
	Toxins	Alcohol
	CVS	Cardiac cirrhosis
	Biliary	Atresia
	Metabolic	Wilson, α 1ATD, Haemochromatosis, GSD IV, Galactosemia, tyrosinaemia.
	Immune	Auto-immune hepatitis.
Classification		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AE. - Pathology(mico/macronodular,,,mixed) - Functional: compensated/ not.
C/P	Compensated	Accidentally discovered.
	Decompensated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LCF,,,Portal HTN,,,HCC - Exam: firm,,,shrunken,,,sharp border.
Invest	AE	Hepatitis markers
	Lab	CBC, LFT.
	Imaging	U/S, CT, MRI.
	Invasive	Biopsy.
	For Portal HTN	As before.
	complications	α FP, U/S, CT, MRI.
TTT		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ae,,,LCF,,, Portal HTN,,,Complications(encephalopathy, Ascites, HCC) - Liver transplantation.

Liver cell failure

Def	Impairment of liver function		
C/P	General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AE. - Anorexia, fatigue,FTT. - Fever: low grade(bacteraemia). 	
	Mouth	- Foeter hepaticus.	
	Skin,MM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jaundice. - Palmer erythema. - Spider nevi. 	
	Ascites& edema	- ↓↓Albumin,↑Na, H2O, Portal HTN,Lymphorrhea, peritonitis.	
	Endocrinal	M	- Gynecomastia.
		F	- Amenorrhea.
	Encephalopathy		
	CVS	HDCirculation, porto-pulmonary shunts.	
	Blood	Anaemia, bleeding, hypersplenism, pancytopenia, bleeding tendency.	
	Renal	Hepato-renal S.	
	Infection	Spontaneous bacterial peritonitis.	
Metabolic	Hypo/hyperglycaemia.		

Hepato-Renal syndrome

DEF	Progressive functional RF in Ptn with LCF.
AE	Unclear(↑↑sympathetic→↑renal venous pressure→V.C→↓GFR→Oliguria& ↑creatinine.
Prognosis	90% mortality.
TTT	Liver transplantation.

Hepatic encephalopathy

Ae	↑↑	Neuro-toxins(GABA,,,Ammonia,,,Mercaptans): →→↓ cerebral O2 consumption→→coma. - ↑Protein diet,,,old blood,,,GIT bleeding,infection, surgery.			
	↓↓	K, alkalosis(vomiting, diarrhea, diuretics,,,paracentesis)			
C/P(stages)		I	II	III	IV
	Symptoms	Lethargy	confusion	stupor	coma
	Signs	Drawing figures	Fetor hepaticus+ Asterixis	Hyper-reflexia + Asterixis	Areflexia (no Asterixis)
	EEG	Normal	Slowing	Marked abnormal	Marked abnormal/ silence
TTT	General	- Avoid PPT Factors - care of comatosed child.			
	Diet	- ↓↓ protein. - ↑↑calories(CHO).			
	Stomach	- Wash			
	Lactulose	- Oral+ enema(↓↓ ammonia production& absorption+ osmotic laxative).			
	Abs	- Neomycin(NGT).			

Reys Syndrome

DEF	<p>*Acute non inflammatory encephalopathy+ fatty degeneration of the liver documented by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Clinical: ↓consciousness. - Lab: CSF(<8 Leukocytes/mm³). - Autopsy: brain edema without inflammation.
AE	Unknown (viral, aspirin, mitochondrial cytopathy).
C/P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Age: 4-12 years old. - Prodromal URTI. - Later: Vomiting ±hypoglycemia.,Encephalopathy, Moderate hepatomegaly, no jaundice.
DD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CNS infection. - Drug ingestion. - Hemorrhagic shock with encephalopathy. - Metabolic disease e.g. fatty acid oxidation, organic academia, urea cycle defects.
Invest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ↑↑: Ammonia, Liver enzymes, LDH, CK- - ↓↓: hypoprothrombinaemia, Hypoglycemia - Liver biopsy→→Fatty infiltration, specific mitochondrial morphology on E/M.
TTT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No specific treatment. - Supportive treatment(positioning, MV, IVF, DEXA, Mannitol, Phenobarbitone, cooling body .

	$\alpha 1$ AT$\downarrow\downarrow$	Wilson disease. (Hepato-lenticular degeneration)
AE	AD	AR($\downarrow\downarrow$ ceruloplasmin $\rightarrow\rightarrow$ IEM of Cu.
Pathology	Unclear($\alpha 1$ AT is a protease inhibitor so if $\downarrow\downarrow\rightarrow\rightarrow$ severe inflammation + tissue damage.	- Defect in biliary Cu excretion (accumulate in liver, brain, cornea, kidney).
C/P	- Liver: cholestasis+ HSM $\rightarrow\rightarrow$ Cirrhosis+ portal HTN. - Lung(adult):emphysema(panacinar).	- Liver: HSM, hepatitis, cirrhosis, portal HTN, LCF. - Brain:tremors, seizures, dysarthria, dystonia, migraine. - Blood: haemolytic anaemia. - Renal: fanconi like S/ RF. - Cornea: Kayser-Fleisher rings.
Invest	- Sr. $\alpha 1$ AT $\rightarrow\downarrow\downarrow$ - DNA study. - Biopsy: PAS +VE granules.	- $\uparrow\uparrow$ urine& Sr.Cu,,,, $\downarrow\downarrow$ ceruloplasmin. - Penicillamine challenge test. - Biopsy:LCF, Cirrhosis+ Cu accumulate in liver, brain, cornea, kidney. - Slit lamp. - CT, MRI.
Complications	- Cirrhosis, LCF, portal HTN.	
TTT	- Complications. - Liver transplantation.	- Diet: $\downarrow\downarrow$ Cu. - Chelators: Penicillamine(nephrotoxic, BM toxic). - $\downarrow\downarrow$ Cu absorption: Zinc sulphate. - VIT E(Antioxidant. - Liver transplant.

	Budd- Chiari S	Veno-occlusive disease.
DEF	Hepatic vein obstruction→→ portal HTN (post-sinusoidal).	- Toxins: alkaloids, teas(jamaikan type). - Chemotherapy.
AE	- Idiopathic - Thrombosis: SLE, Infection, polycythemia.	- Infections& malnutrition.
C/P	- Acute:HM, Ascites, LCF, death. - Chronic:HSM, portal HTN.	* 3 stages: - Acute:Rapid ascites+dilated veins+ HM(no SM). - Subacute: Mild ascites& mild HSM. - Chronic: ascites, dilated veins, shrunken liver, LCF, SM(++)
Invest	- Venography. - Measure portal venous pressure.	- Liver: LFT, Biopsy, U/S, portal HTN. - Ascites: tapping(transudate+↑↑ protein+ no PMNL).
TTT	- LCF, portal HTN, Ascites, Cs.	

Indications of pediatric liver transplantation

Obstructive Biliary Tract Disease:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biliary atresia . - Sclerosing cholangitis . - Trumatic . - Post -surgical .
Metabolic Disorders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - α 1-Antitrypsin deficiency . - Tyrosinemia type 1. - GSD-IV. - Wilson disease. - Primary oxalosis . - Neonatal hemochromatosis . - Crigler -Najjar type 1. - Familial hypercholesterolemia. - Organic acidemia . - Urea cycle defects.
Intrahepatic Cholestasis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Idiopathic Neonatal Hepatitis - Alagille syndrome
Acute Hepatitis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fulminant hepatic failure . - Viral . - Toxin . - Drug induced.
Chronic Hepatitis with cirrhosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hepatitis B or C,,Autoimmune.
Primary liver Tumors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Benign tumors (hamartomas , hemangioendothelioma). - Unresectable hepatoblastoma. - HCC.
Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cryptogenic cirrhosis. - Congenital hepatic fibrosis. - Caroli disease. - Cystic fibrosis. - Cirrhosis induced by TPN. - Polycystic liver disease.

Liver biopsy

Indications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Neonatal cholestasis.- Chronic hepatitis.- Metabolic: galactosemia.- Storage diseases:GSD, Wilson, haemochromatosis.- Reys S.- HM(unexplained).
Contra-indications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Bleeding tendency.- Vascular/ infected lesions.- Sever Ascites.
Post care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Position: Rt side.- Monitor: vital signs.- Bleeding: IVF, FFP, PLT, blood+ U/S.
Complications	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Hge- AV Fistula.- Pneumothorax.- Infection.- Bleeding.

Fulminant hepatitis

DEF	Development of signs of LCF(Hepatic encephalopathy) within 8 wks of the onset of liver disease, in the absence of previous liver disease.	
AE	<p>**Rapid deterioration of liver functions due to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infections:CMV, EBV, hepatitis A B C, adenovirus, toxoplasmosis - Metabolic: galactosemia, tyrosinemia, wilson's & mitochondrial disease. - Ryes S - Toxins &medications: INH, anticonvulsants, Acetaminophen. - Autoimmune: hepatitis,SLE. - Others: Ischemia, Mg. 	
C/P	Acute	- Jaundice, vomiting, abdominal pain, bleeding, ascitis, HSM,
	Complications	- Encephalopathy , Hge, sepsis.
Invest	Lab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hypoglycemia - Electrolyte& Acid-base disturbance:↓↓Na, K, Ca,...etc. - Coagulopathy (↑↑ PT, APTT, INR) - ↓↓→→Hypoalbuminemia & hypoproteinemia - ↑↑→→ammonia, liver enzymes, bilirubin - KFT: RF
	EEG	- Encephalopathy(II-IV).
	CT	- Brain edema.
TTT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess ABCs and admit to ICU &Consult gastroenterologist on call - Asses neurological status and level of consciousness (GCS\leq 7 →MV) - Fluids: 2/3 maintenance, 10-20% dextrose according to blood glucose. - Correct electrolyte (avoid hypertonic saline in hyponatremia, which can worsen hepatic encephalopathy) - Vitamin K1: Infants 1-2 mg/dose IV, Children 5-10 mg/dose IV - Lactulose (aim for 2 – 3 stools/day): Infants 2.5 ml /12h PO Children 5-10 ml /8h PO - Ranitidine 2 – 4 mg/kg/day IV /12h - IV antibiotics if indicated (not prophylactic) - FFP: <u>for DIC or active bleeding;</u> to avoid masking worsening liver function by correcting coagulation parameters. - Mannitol infusion if ICP is suspected - N-acetylcystine :for acetaminophen toxicity. 	
Follow up and monitoring:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LFT, KFT, Electrolytes, bleedind& coagulation profile, glucose, ammonia, bilirubin/12-24h; depend on clinical situation. - CT: cerebral oedema - EEG: encephalopathy grading - Abdominal U/S 	

Upper GIT Bleeding

DEF	Hematemesis	Passage of vomited material that is coffee grounds in colour or contains frank blood.
	Melena	Passage of black tarry stool (bacterial degradation of hemoglobin).
AE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swallowed maternal blood (nipple fissure in breast feeding mother) Esophagitis, gastritis, duodenitis and stress ulcers Vascular malformation, aorto-esophageal fistula, esophageal varices Coagulopathy, Vitamin K deficiency Foreign body Non GI causes (hemoptysis)
Invest		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CBC, ESR Coagulation profile LCT.
TTT		<p>***ABC& support, Monitor + Pediatric gastroenterologist on call</p> <p>***For stable patients: NPO, start on IVF -IV ranitidine + Observe for 24 hrs</p> <p>***For unstable patients: ICU+ monitor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two IV lines should be placed - Urgent blood grouping and cross matching - IVF 0.9% NS 20ml/kg bolus and can be repeated. - Saline lavage : asses bleeding, view source(esophageal varices: - IV Ranitidine 3-4 mg/kg/day q6-8h, maximum: 50 mg/dose - Somatostatin or Octreotide <p>Dose: 1 µg/kg IV bolus then 1 – 5 µg/kg/h IV continuous infusion diluted in D5W or NS</p> <p>Indications: patient with upper GI bleeding 2ry to esophageal varices .</p> <p>Mechanism of action: it is a long acting synthetic analogue of Somatostatin (splanchnic VC).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - After stabilization:Upper GI endoscopy. - If uncontrolled Hge : urgent endoscopy (varical injection or ligation).

Clinical approach to Ascites:

Isolated	With general edema.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Portal HTN. - TB, Mg, SBP. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renal:NS. - GIT: Protein loosing enteropathy. - Nutritional:PEM. - Liver: LCF

Ascites

DEF	Fluid accumulation in peritoneal cavity.						
AE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Portal HTN. - ↓↓ Albumin: LCF, NS, Protein losing enteropathy. - Peritonitis - Trs: lymphoma, neuroblastoma. - Chylous: cong, anomalies, injury, surgery, lymphatic obstruction(mass). - Biliary: perforation of CBD. - Urinary: perforation of UT. 						
C/P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AE. - Exam 						
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DD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fat, Faeces, Flatus, Fullbladder. 						
Invest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AE. - Tapping: physical, cells, chemical, bacteriological...etc. 						
Types	Transudate		Exudate				
	Aspect	Clear	Turbid				
	Sp.gravity	↓↓(<1015)	↑↑				
	Ptn	↓↓(<2.5gm)	↑↑				
	Cells	↓↓(<1000)	↑↑				
	No.	Lymphocytes	PMNLs				
	Type	-ve	+ve				
	LDH	↓↓	↑↑				
Organisms	-ve	+ve					
AE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hepatic: LCF,, Portal HTN. - Systemic:PEM,,↑↑Loss(NS,PLE). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infections(peritonitis). - Mg: neuroblastoma. 				
TTT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AE. - Monitor. - Diet: ↓↓Na, ptn, salt.&↑ K. - Diuretics. - Transfusion: FFP, Albumin. - Liver support. - Paracentesis: diagnostic& therapeutic. 						

Cysts of liver & Biliary system

1- Choledochal cyst	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cystic dilatation of CBD(Saccular/ fusiform). - Infancy: asymptomatic. - Cholestasis + abd.pain - TTT: Excision.
2- Caroli disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multiple cystic dilatations of intra-hepatic ducts. - C/P: Acute cholangitis(fever, abd.pain,jaundice, pururitis). - TTT: Abs+ excision.
3- Cong. Hepatic fibrosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AR.(Diffuse peri-portal fibrosis). - C/P: HSM,,, Portal HTN+ Polycystic kidney(75%). - D: Biopsy,,,LFT. - TTT: LCF, RF, Portal HTN.
4- Polycystic kidney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infantile: AR,,,CRF,,,Liver affection - Adult: AD
5- Hydatid disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rare (Echinococcus granulosus,,,dogs).